

REMARKS

This Amendment and Response is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 4, 2005. In that action: claim 17 was objected to for informalities; claims 12-14, 18-19, 21/18, and 21/19/18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Mukherjee, et al. (USPN 6,289,223); claims 15/12, 15/13/12, and 15/14/12 was rejected under §103(a) as being unpatentable over Mukherjee in view of Sikand, et al. (USPN 5,515,421); and claims 16/12, 16/13/12, 16/14/12, 17/12, 17/13/12, 17/14/12, 20/18, 20/19/18, 22/18, and 22/19/18 were rejected under §103(a) as being unpatentable over Mukherjee in view of Vedel (USPN 5,974,308).

Claims 12-22 were pending. Applicant has amended claims 12 and 18 to further distinguish from the prior art. Support for the added limitations can be found in the specification at page 2, lines 4-7 and at page 3, lines 24-27. Applicant has also amended claims 13-15 to clarify language contained therein and has amended claim 17 to remove a typographical error. Applicant has also added claims 23-31. Support for the limitations therein can be found in the specification at page 2, lines 3-10, 20-28 and at page 3, lines 24-29.

As amended, claim 12 includes doing at least one of: a test, an adjustment and a conversion of a point-to-point short message necessary to translate the point-to-point short message into a cellular broadcast message in the coupling instance. Mukherjee fails to disclose the translation of a short message into a cellular broadcast message and further fails to disclose a cellular broadcast message or a cell broadcast center. As such, Applicant submits that as amended, claim 12 is in allowable form. Applicant also submits that claims 13-17, 23, and 24

are in allowable form because they depend on claim 12, and because of the additional limitations therein.

As amended, claim 18 recites a means of doing at least one of: a test, an adjustment, and a conversion of a point-to-point short message necessary to translate the point-to-point short message into a cellular broadcast message. Mukherjee again fails to disclose translating a short message into a cellular broadcast message and further fails to disclose a cellular broadcast message or a cell broadcast center. As such, Applicant submits that as amended, claim 18 is in allowable form. Applicant also submits that claims 19-22 and 25 are in allowable form because they depend on claim 18, and because of the additional limitations therein.

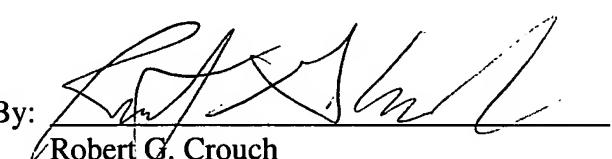
Applicant submits that new claim 26 is in allowable form because the prior art does not teach or suggest the combination of receiving a short message from a short message center, performing translation on the short message, where the translation includes converting the short message into a cellular broadcast message, and forwarding the cellular broadcast message to a cellular broadcast center. Specifically, as argued above, Mukherjee fails to disclose performing translation on a short message, where the translation includes converting the short message into a cellular broadcast message. Applicant submits that claims 27-31 are also allowable, because they depend on claim 26, and because of the additional limitations therein.

Based upon the foregoing, Applicant believes that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and such disposition is respectfully requested. In the event that a telephone conversation would further prosecution and/or expedite allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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